

Application No. 09/677,742

Remarks

The final Office Action mailed December 1, 2003 stated that claims 9-19 were allowed.

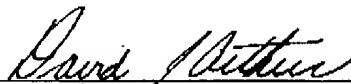
Applicant respectfully requests cancellation of rejected claims 1-8 and 20. Applicant submits that such a request is appropriate under 37 CFR §1.116(b) as only canceling claims.

Applicant requests continued allowance of claims 9-19.

No additional fee is believed to be required for this amendment. However, the undersigned Xerox Corporation attorney (or agent) hereby authorizes the charging of any necessary fees, other than the issue fee, to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025. This also constitutes a request for any needed extension of time and authorization to charge all fees therefor to Xerox Corporation Deposit Account No. 24-0025.

If the Examiner considers personal contact helpful to dispose of this case, call David J. Arthur, at Telephone Number 585-423-9215, Rochester, New York.

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